

Hunt Says His CIA Article Appeared in Times Column

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Convicted Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt Jr. says that while he was an officer of the CIA, he wrote an agency briefing paper that later was substantially reprinted in a New York Times column under the byline of foreign affairs columnist C. L. Sulzberger.

The allegation is contained in an article in the forthcoming October issue of More Magazine, in which Hunt claimed he was ordered by then CIA chief Richard Helms to write an article on Soviet spying. Hunt said that several weeks later, on Sept. 13, 1967, the article appeared, virtually unchanged, in a Sulzberger column entitled "Foreign Affairs: Where the Spies Are."

In the Oct. 20 issue of Rolling Stone magazine, Watergate reporter Carl Bernstein named Sulzberger as one of 400 American journalists who allegedly had cooperated secretly with the CIA over the last 25 years.

Sulzberger responded, "Any allegation that I ever worked in any capacity for the CIA is false."

Yesterday, a spokesman for The New York Times was asked to comment on the More article. "Mr. Sulzberger was quite vehement in his denials that he had anything to do with working for the CIA," the spokesman said. "There is nothing further to add to those denials."

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